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Former Gleichen Boy Accident Victim

Peter Boos, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Boos of Calgary and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kelly and Mrs. W. Boos, died in a Calgary hospital Saturday afternoon a few hours after the bicycle he was riding on Downes Road collided with a semi-trailer oil truck.

Peter was born in Gleichen and was well known about town. He lived here until several months ago when his parents moved to Calgary. He had been presented with a bicycle a short time before the accident in honor of his birthday. Gleichen's first heard of the accident over the radio at the new hour broadcast. Mr. and Mrs. P. Kelly were listening to the news and heard the announcer tell of the accident. They left immediately for Calgary.

The Calgary Herald in reporting the accident spoke as follows: "According to reports of the accident Peter Boos and two other boys, Thomas Thorne and William Saunders, were riding single file and just as the gasoline truck driven by G. C. McJougall was passing, a car came abreast Thorne. The bicycles collided and Boos was thrown into the air of the truck."

"Boos companions said they did not see him fall under the truck. He was taken to the general hospital by a passing motorist."

Peter is survived by his parents; one sister, Wendy; and his grandparents in Gleichen. The funeral will be held today in Calgary with Rev. R. E. Upton, who several years ago was in charge of Gleichen United Church, officiating.

The crows have been in convention at the river. Roll call was taken. With the first glint of light, the sergeant-at-arms rouses his aides who, through the woods and across the prairie, bring a summons to the cheery delegates who, with a few protests against the irksome discipline while they obey it. In the growing light they fly in from all directions, with raucous gabbling as they hasten to the assembly. Like humans in convention, they conduct the first business of the day by all talking at once. It is sometime before the presiding Grand Highest Crow is able to control the meeting by shouting orders which are repeated throughout the gathering. The meeting adjourns for early breakfast as soon as the warmth of sun lights the prairie and in the pastures. With a few sentinels calling from the sentry boxes "sun-up and all is clear" clear the throng swarms across the prairie silent in appreciation of delectable food. After breakfast the delegates flock to hear the day's program outlined. Following some discussion of who will go where, they are off in little groups to enjoy the hospitality and beauty of the country at large. Returning at sunset, they hold a brief, noisy session at which plans are laid for the annual side trip to the south before returning home for nesting. On the day they leave, the chairman, unable to establish order or to make himself heard above the clamor, gives up in disgust and heads of toward the south with the rabble hard behind him squalling their protests at his unseemly haste and challenging him to call an election.

An English Journey

By Walter Leeks representing the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association.

The guide pointed out some of the most rests of special interest. One represents a fox preening in a field grown from a pulpit, with a cock serving as clerk, presumably intended to ridicule the mendicant preaching stunts of whom the canons were notoriously jealous. Another is a gosling, with back turned while a dog licks a cauldron clean.

The series of nearly 40 misericords, or misericore seats are also of special interest. One of them is the oldest in the country dating from about 1200 with typical carvings of that period. Others show an angel being tempted, an executed dog gnawing a bone, the Devil on a wheelbarrow, a contortionist, a fish and many such designs.

Close to the priory are the remains of a Norman Castle built in 901, with walls 9 feet thick. The brief history of the castle shows that it was built in 901, King Stephen, laid it here (Continued on back page)

News Items of Local Interest

The antelope hunters, Howard Varnier and Bunk Menard had very good luck in the Cypress Hills. They bagged their quota.

Ted Krause is up in the Peace River country. He shipped a carload of tractors up there and is now "boy selling them."

A shower in honor of Miss G. Corbell, whose marriage will take place shortly was held at the home of Mrs. N. McMillan.

The annual U.F.W.A. dance held at Meadowbrook hall last Friday evening was well attended. John Cunningham held the winning ticket for the quilt and Bill Blaney, Jr. was the lucky boy in the canon draw.

Mr. N.A. Riddell has returned home after visiting her mother and other relatives in Bettleson and Souris, N.D. Mr. Riddell also visited relatives in Regina and Avonlea, Sask.

John Cunningham left for his home in the States last Sunday. He has been here for some weeks visiting his relatives whom he had not seen for a couple of decades.

The members of the Canadian Legion will stage their annual get-together and dance on Thursday, Nov. 11th in the Gleichen Community Hall. This is the first dance to be held in the hall for sometime and should be a highly attended affair. dnbh.Blaithghelgh elsthoedf heol

Gleichen school teachers attended the school teachers convention in Calgary last week and as a consequence the pupils enjoyed several days holidays.

Miss Rachel James returned Sunday from a two week holiday spent in Vancouver. Miss James thinks Vancouver is a fine city and would like to live there.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Etheridge have gone to the States for a visit and a holiday. They expect to be away for three months.

Lawrence Woods, wife and family of Calgary were guests at the former's parents home here for a few days last week.

The U. F. W. A. meetings were held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilson last Thursday with eighteen members and three visitors answering the roll call. Minutes of the last meeting were read and all the correspondence. A letter was received from Mrs. G. Yale while she was in the hospital thanking the organization for the flowers they had sent her. The secretary was instructed to write the distant organization thanking them for the lovely time the members had spent there. Mrs. Chartrand then put on a swimming match which proved to be very hilarious and was much enjoyed by all. The next meeting will be held on November 11 at the home of Mrs. Geo. McLean. The lunch committee will be Mrs. L. Lilla, Mrs. E. Ferguson Mrs. McLeay and Mrs. Walker. —Communicated

All concerned appeared to have had the most hilarious Halloween celebration here in years and very little if any damage was done. The school boys and girls and younger

children thoroughly enjoyed themselves visiting neighbors and pulling such harmless stunts they could think of.

But some of the older boys and girls—who have reached the half way span in life had some fun too. Sunday morning Ed Menard found some of his residential property in front of his place of business. He was charged, didn't say very much but did a lot of thinking. Monday morning the property had disappeared in other words had gone back home and groat was the hilarity that ensued up and down the street for directly across the street, in front of Bob Brown's store on the sidewalk at a building that had been brought in from the country. We haven't seen Bob so don't know if he was chagrined or not.

Remembrance Day Services at 10.15

The Canadian Legion is sponsoring a Remembrance Service in the Community Hall Thursday, Nov. 11, at 10.15 with a service at the cenotaph 10.55.

The local clergy, Rev. Pringle, Rev. Cole and Major Parkinson will be conducting the service.

The united choirs will be in attendance and render an anthem.

Everyone is welcome. Said the scientist to the druggist: "Please give me some prepared monactidester of salicylic acid." "Do you mean aspirin?" asked the druggist. "That's right," I never can think of that name."

THE COMMUNIST WAY

Not long ago one of Canada's political leaders discovered that many communists had found their way into

to his party and were making their influence felt in the party councils. He declared his intention of purging them from the party. But that was not easy, for he had no way of knowing who were communists and who were not. At that time a communist was asked why he continued to support a party that did not want him, and whose philosophy he did not accept. His reply was amazingly frank. He said: "We will continue to support that party so long as we can make use of them. We are not concerned about their philosophy. Our aim is to have them adopt our tactics, to stir up dissension and distrust. As long as we can keep them doing that they will be preparing the ground for communism, and if they should get into power, we will know how to deal their untamable leaders and take control ourselves."

Here is a challenge to our democracy, the like of which has never faced before. Stated briefly it is this: create such distrust and confusion in the minds of the people that they will not be able to think clearly, will not listen to reason, and will become an easy prey to those who know how to handle them.

The success of democracy depends on the understanding and the loyalty of its citizens. The success of the communists in their efforts to destroy democracy depends on confusion and disloyalty they can create among its citizens. If they succeed in fooling us, they may succeed in ruling us.

We are strongly of the opinion that this world in the future, as in the past, will be ruled by the men who can do it. Are we going to allow the communists to do it? The answer rests with us as individual citizens. If we can maintain their kind of tactics in any political party we are playing into their hands and helping them to win.

An American psychologist claims that unhappy marriages result from husbands being over-respectful and over-indulgent, and that wives are



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Increases In Most Provinces

Disaster foods which swept British Columbia in the early summer, and extensive forest fires in northern Quebec and Ontario were believed to have been responsible for a considerable decrease in the tourist business in those areas, which normally attract many thousands of visitors. At a Dominion-Provincial tourist conference, held in Ottawa in October, it was reported that there was an increase in tourist trade this year of from one to twelve per cent, over 1947. British Columbia was the only province to report a decrease, the figure for this season being five per cent, less than in the previous year. The Dominion Tourist Bureau reported that as many as 2,000 inquiries were received in one day regarding holiday resorts in Canada, and more than three million pieces of literature were mailed out by the bureau this season.

Land Of Great Natural Beauty

Roads and accommodation are always closely associated with discussions concerning the tourist business. In the past there has been considerable criticism of the facilities provided in some parts of Canada, but the Tourist Bureau reports that this year there were fewer complaints and a greater number of letters of appreciation in this connection. Great progress has been made in improving and raising the standards of tourist accommodation, but there is need for further effort in building up this business which has proved to be a most profitable one for the country. The matter of completing the trans-Canada highway is unsettled, but such a road would be a great asset both in attracting tourist traffic and for the country generally. It is to be hoped that the progress which is now being made in building up the tourist industry will continue, for few countries have greater natural beauty than Canada and it is desirable that it should be enjoyed by visitors from other lands as well as by Canadians themselves.

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Alaska Road As Channel For Tourist Trade

VANCOUVER.—Since the U.S. Army's corps of engineers built the Alaska Military Highway through Canada, far-sighted leaders of Western Canada and United States have been stressing the needs and benefits of improved land transportation facilities to Alaska.

William Warner, U.S. assistant secretary of the interior, believes that if the Alaska Highway were properly developed it might channel a tourist trade of almost \$100 million yearly into Alaska.

The Alberta provincial highway system joins up with the Alaska Highway via the Edmonton-Dawson Creek link which Premier Manning has announced his government plans to put in shape—relocating some sections, gravelling them as rapidly as possible.

British Columbia will tie in with the Alaska Highway at Dawson Creek when the John Hart Highway from there to Prince George is completed.

The Duke of Wellington never met Napoleon, whom he defeated at Waterloo.

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TURKEY REPRESENTS A GOLD MINE IN THESE DAYS OF SOARING PRICES—Symbolic of all festive holidays is the turkey, which is becoming noticeably absent from the public table. The high prices of meat and fowl have lessened the sales of these products, so that most holidays are being celebrated now without the customary fowl on the dining-room table. Above W. Hoover and Center Street of Nobleton, Ont., push a small gold mine in their hands.—S.N.S. photo.

FUNNY And OTHERWISE

The teacher wanted to impress on his class that there was nothing a man could not do if he put his mind to it. Johnny Jones begged to differ.

"Well," said the teacher, "tell me and the class what it is."

"You try to strike a match on a piece of wire," was the answer.

Father: "Your teacher says he can't teach you anything, Bill."

Bill: "I always knew he was no good."

"Sometimes," said the mistress, "it will be necessary for you to help the butler upstairs."

"I understand, madam," replied the new maid, "when his wife is too many."

"I tell you that I was bankrupt! That every cent of my fortune had been swept away—would you still be willing to marry my daughter?"

"Young Man, (enthusiastically): "Why of course I would! Such a man as you could easily lose and make another fortune, sir."

"My wife doesn't understand me, does yours?"

"Don't know that I ever heard her mention your name."

A forest ranger in Arizona frequently saw an Indian chief riding his horse up the canyon trail, his wife trailing behind him. "Why is it?" the ranger asked one day, "that you always ride and your wife walks?"

"Because," was the solemn reply, "she no gettin' here."

Johnny, who had been taken to the country for the first time, saw a spider spinning a web between two tall reeds. "Father," he called, "come and see this bug putting up a wireless."

Customer: "I'd like a dollar dinner, please."

Waitress: "Yes, sir—on white or rye, sir?"

EXPERT OPINION ON WOMEN'S FOOTWEAR

TORONTO.—Dr. Robert Smith, Hamilton chiropodist, says that shoes with too-high heels are ruining the feet of Canadian women.

"If you can live like an Indian, the moccasin is the perfect footwear," he said. "But if you have to live in the city, make it oxford or loafers. No woman should wear a heel higher than one and three quarters inches. If she does, the whole foot structure will be wrecked."

THE TILLERS

AT LAST LENA IS GETTING INTERESTED IN ME. I'M INVITED WITH HIM TONIGHT.



Chicken Confuses Manitoba Farmer

WINNIPEG, Man.—Ama Vince of Ashern, Man., is very confused.

The cause of his confusion is a chicken that can't make up its mind whether it wants to be a male or a female.

In a letter to the Manitoba Agriculture Department Vince said that he had recently received 12 Leghorn cockerels from the hatchery. However, one of the cockerels started laying eggs. After laying about a dozen eggs the pullet decided that there was no future in eggs and proceeded to do a turn-about.

In less than three days the bird blossomed into a full-fledged cockerel.

Manitoba poultry experts say that the occurrence is rare but has happened before. They say that to their knowledge a male has never become a female but females can become males.

Town Reverts Back To Village

REGINA.—Mortlach, 27 miles west of Moose Jaw and one of the oldest towns in Saskatchewan, has lost its "grown-up" pains.

A dwindling population has resulted in the town council making application to the provincial government for permission to revert to the status of a village.

And so, after Jan. 1, 1949, the town of Mortlach will officially become the village of Mortlach.

Mortlach's population in 1946, according to the quinquennial census, was given at 255. The population is down from that figure now.

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—By Les Carroll



Oil To Ensure Prairie Future

OTTAWA.—Dr. G. S. Hume, Chief of the Geological Survey, Resources Department, said that new discovery of oil in Alberta will make the Prairie Provinces self-sufficient in a short time.

"It is certain that the Prairie Provinces will be self-sufficient and yield a surplus as a result of the discoveries of the Leduc and Redwater wells near Edmonton," he told the Ottawa branch of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy.

Currently the Leduc field is producing more than 500,000 barrels of oil a month. In June the Leduc field surpassed the famed Turner Valley in production.

Dr. Hume said the Redwater field has not started production yet but it contains great potentiality.

He warned that the time is approaching when the west coast will not be able to get sufficient oil by importing from California. Consumption in that state was nearing production level.

All of our western oil comes from California, so the self-sufficiency of the prairies may be of interest to the west coast," he added.

He doubted if oil from the new Alberta fields will be transported east.

CANNIBALS AMONG FISH

WINNIPEG.—Winnipeg city officials point out that cannibals among their gold fish. When the pool in front of the city hall was drained recently, all that remained was 12 old-timers. Normally there would have been many young fish in the pool.

An English Journey

and ordered demolished 1850. There are some delightful old buildings in the town of Christchurch, one of the most picturesque being the former Court House now occupied by a scent shop. Salisbury is a very picturesque town and has what is called 1185, King John visited here 1201. Captured by the Roundheads 1545,

considered the most graceful cathedral in England, with the tallest spire of any in Britain 404 feet high. Unlike most other cathedrals which were built in different periods with different styles of architecture, Salisbury was completed in one era of one style. It certainly has one of the most beautiful exteriors of them all. In Salisbury cathedral is an old clock dated 1386, one of the oldest in England, the other being at Wells. At the hotel in Salisbury one of

the party ordered what he expected was beef and was served whale meat. While it had the appearance of beef it had with a strong fishy taste that none of party could eat it, although other diners seemed to eat it with enjoyment. At Lomington we were given one of the best meals which we had in England. There we met some residents who had been very kind to Canadian airmen during the war.

Bath is a beautiful city widely known for its medicinal springs, Georgian buildings and Roman ruins. The Roman baths are some of the most complete Roman remains in Britain and plainly show the high state of civilization of that time.

The abbey at Bath is very beautiful and has at times shared with Wells the distinction of being a cathedral. It is 120 feet long and 125 feet across the transepts and parts of it date from Norman times although there has always been a church on the site since 675. One of the features of the abbey is the west front, the main gable being filled with a great window and flanked with large turrets on the face of which are carved ladders with angels ascending and descending.

At Bristol we stayed at the Royal Hotel where the Canadian officers lived for ten days in 1942. This hotel was severely damaged by a bomb in 1941 and about half the hotel including the dining hall was destroyed. Some of the damage has been cleaned up, but the hotel is still carrying on with about half of its rooms. To give some idea of the meals served here the breakfast menu showed stewed apples or porridge or cereal, grilled mackerel or flounder, haddock or kippered herrings or scrambled eggs; toast, tea or coffee while dinner on the same day was soup; roast turkey or grilled turbot or roast beef; dessert; tea and coffee. Helpings at all hotels are very small, but few offer such a splendid variety and these menus cannot be taken as indicative of the average menu in better class hotels in England today. Among the guests at the hotel at that time was Chief Tito-Gaspar, Whyn VI, chief of 100,000 people of Uganda. Bristol is one of the

Manpower And Preparedness

If attempting to conceive the immense industrial war potential of this country very little consideration has been given to the most important cog, that of manpower.

Whatever is abundant in Canada, we are most certainly sadly lacking in manpower. Especially are we short of skilled personnel. With a potentially large defence budget looming, and the possibility that orders may be issued for the production of war material in Canada, it is vital that this problem be given immediate serious consideration.

No matter how far we may have advanced in this machine age, we still have not reached the point whereby machines can replace men entirely. True it is a wonderful age, but machines like individuals need personal attention and the more complicated the machine, the more complicated it becomes to train men to be responsible to use and maintain it.

To wage modern warfare successfully calls for highly skilled individuals. That there is no surplus of this type of individual is evident by the high number of rejects from those applying to join the army. To offset this it can be argued that majority of skilled workers in this age of full employment are already tied up with industry.

On the other hand, should we be most historic and interesting cities in England although it suffered more than most places during the war.

(To be continued.)

The room was quiet; Fall was in the night air; the lamp was low. The boy spoke: "What are you thinking about darling?" The girl answered: "The same thing you are dear? Then the boy "Hot Dawg! I'll race ya to the ice box!"

Houston, Texas, has a windowless department store, except for main floor displays. Air conditioning and fluorescent lighting are used.

facied with a sudden emergency, industry would expand for war production demanding even more skilled personnel. Again it is evident that to make an active fighting force mobile, the armed forces would require a considerable number of those individuals. Even more so than in the last war.

It is well known that the allies won the last war mainly because of their preponderance in manufactured materials in both quality and quantity. Should then an emergency arise there would be a race between industry and the armed forces for these valuable people.

The next time we are faced with a sudden war there will not be the time to start setting up plans to divvy up individuals. This should be done now. If war does not come, there is no harm done and we will be thankful. But if it does, and we are unprepared, in this most vital aspect, all the most wonderful machines we have designed will be practically useless. The country looks to Ottawa for a lead in this respect.

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The Soil Which Sustains Us

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Eroding Soil. Dust clouds are indispensable evidence of the fact that our prairie top soils can, and are being, destroyed. Managed carefully they will produce abundant food used exclusively, they soon become infertile and subject to severe erosion by wind and water. From the standpoint of human welfare and would people the maintenance of Canada's grain food-producing resources — our prairie soils — is of paramount importance.

It is, in fact, the very foundation of our national security.

A National Problem. The problem of conserving our prairie soils is of national importance and demands the attention of every citizen of the country, rural and urban. In this important work the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration is leading the way, but more funds, more technicians and, most of all, more conservation education are needed. Prairie farmers themselves must be the chief motive force in the trend towards the care and conservation of our rich land resources. It is important, therefore, that more and more farmers and land owners in Western Canada realize that the soil is their primary capital asset, and that its proper care is the first Commandment of good farming. The good farmers of Western Canada are "keeping the land where it belongs." In doing this they are turning the master key which unlocks the door to a permanent and prosperous prairie agriculture.

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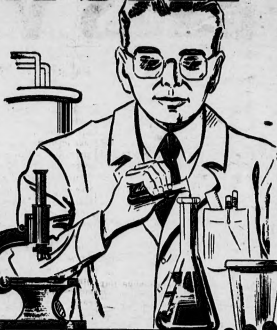


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